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In the application of: Arnold KELLER

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For: KNEE PROSTHESIS

Examiner: Thomas J. Sweet

Group Art Unit: 3738

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

MS RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed August 22, 2006, and upon entry of applicant's Request For Continued Examination, please amend this application as follows prior to examination.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2.

Amendment to the Claims begins on page 4.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 5 and include an attached replacement sheet.

Remarks begin on page 7.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following the Remarks.

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